



# DEANE EARLY LEARNING EQUITY GRANT



The Denver Foundation

## GRANT OPPORTUNITY

The Denver Foundation's Deane Early Learning Equity Grant aims to address systemic barriers within early learning environments for Colorado children birth-8 years old who are Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC).

The Deane Family Fund anticipates awarding three, 3-year grants to qualified non-profits (501(c)(3) organizations).

Each grant will total \$300,000 with an annual award of \$100,000.

Awards can support systems changes at a statewide, regional, or community level.

## APPLY ONLINE

Applications should be submitted online. You will need to register on The Denver Foundation's [grant application portal](#) before completing your online application. Go to [denverfoundation.org](https://denverfoundation.org) and search "online grants" for more information about the portal, [FAQs](#), and links to registration.

## DUE DATE

Applications must be submitted online by July 11 by 5:00pm MST.

## ABOUT THE DENVER FOUNDATION

For almost 100 years, Denver residents have trusted The Denver Foundation to steward charitable funds to meet today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities. It's a growing legacy and a community-wide effort to build a better future for everyone. As a tax-exempt, nonprofit, philanthropic organization, The Denver Foundation stewards more than 1,000 funds established by engaged philanthropists. In partnership with the foundation, our donors make gifts to organizations throughout the Seven-county Metro Denver region, across Colorado, and beyond.

## MISSION

We inspire people and mobilize resources to strengthen our community.

## OUR VISION

A Metro Denver that is racially equitable in its leadership, prosperity, and culture.

## OUR PURPOSE

To achieve our vision, we will be proactive, collaborative, and resolute leaders in reducing racial disparities.

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## ELIGIBILITY

- Your organization must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, or have a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor.
- This application is open to organizations across Colorado.
- We encourage applications from BIPOC-led organizations and/or those who are meaningfully partnering with BIPOC-led community organizations for project design and implementation.

## NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING:

- Capital projects
- Child care/early learning tuition
- K-12 public, private, or charter schools
- Supplies, materials, or salaries/benefits that are a regular part of doing business (i.e., no supplanting funds)

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

### WITHIN THE ONLINE APPLICATION YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT:

- Your organization's mission
- A detailed summary of your proposed work
- Your organization's current budget and, if applicable, a project budget

### PLUS REPONSES TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- Each project will individually define: 1) What is the systemic barrier within the early learning environment you are hoping to address? 2) How will your initiative address the systemic barrier you have identified?
- What does success look like at the end of three years? What outcomes do you expect to achieve?

## CONTACT

If you have questions, please contact The Denver Foundation at [deane@denverfoundation.org](mailto:deane@denverfoundation.org).



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